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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement imposed, applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group III, Claims 1-19 (in part), drawn to Formula I compounds, in which Y is an Asp derivative, X is dimethyl cyclohexyl(one) substituted aminosulfoxide (3 structures on pages 94-95) and first method of use in treating stroke, for continued examination herein. Moreover, pursuant to the requirement for an election of species, applicants elect, with traverse, the species of Example 31.

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